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Allow spouses of H-1B visa holders to work, Biden urged

A group of 60 US lawmakers have urged President-elect Joe Biden to revoke a Trump administration policy and extend the validity of work documents for H4 visa holders, who are spouses of those possessing H-1B visas, with majority being highly-skilled Indian women.

Ashok Gehlot, Chief Minister, Rajasthan

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Government of Rajasthan

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Information of eligibility, conditions, benefits etc. in all government schemes
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Indira Rasoi Yojana – Arrangement of food at Rs 8 to needy in all urban bodies across the state. Over 1.12 crore plates of food have been made available to people uptill now. The State Government provides subsidy of Rs 12 per plate.

A financial burden of Rs 310 crore was borne by the State Government due to the relaxation given in depositing bills to 1.05 crore domestic electricity consumers and 14.50 lakh agriculture and other consumers because of COVID.

Subsidy of of Rs 27,229 crore provided to farmers and Rs 968 crore to domestic consumers in electricity bills in the last two years. Decision taken not to increase the electricity tariff for agriculture for five years. New 1.61 lakh agriculture connections have been issued.

For better marketing arrangements of agriculture crops, 643 **Gram Seva/ Kray Vikray Sahakari Samities** and warehouses of Rajasthan State Warehousing Corporation have been given the status of private sub-yards (Mandies).

Rajasthan Agro-processing, Agro-business and Agro-export Promotion Policy – 2019 : Provision of subsidy to the tune of Rs 2 crore to farmers on capital and interest cost. A fund of Rs 500 crore created for easy loans.

Interest-free crop loans of Rs 19,323 crore disbursed to 61 lakh loanee units of cooperative banks, which include 12.67 lakh new farmers.

Waiver of crop loan from cooperative banks of 20.85 lakh farmers amounting to Rs 8,000 crore.

With the aim to have medical colleges in every district, new medical colleges have been sanctioned in 15 more districts, now 30 out of 33 districts will have 31 government medical colleges.

Assistance of Rs 1,144 crore provided to 33 lakh destitute and helpless families at the rate of Rs 3,500 per family.

Rajasthan became the model state for excellent management of corona. Free of cost testing and treatment facility at government hospitals in all the districts. Health infrastructures strengthened. Substantial increase in oxygen beds, ICU beds, ventilators, oxygen plants was ensured.

Over 713 types of medicines and 90 kinds of tests have been made free. Medicines for serious diseases such as cancer, heart, respiratory and kidney diseases are also free. Centralised oxygen pipeline in 20 sub-district and 21 district hospitals.

Ayushman Bharat Mahatma Gandhi Health Insurance Scheme started. Free of cost treatment facility to 1.10 crore families with the addition of 10 lakh new families.

Over Rs 10,579 crore spent on construction/ development of 24,100 km roads. These include 3923 km new roads costing Rs 1,650 crore.

Exemption from any kind of approval and inspection for three years on setting up new Micro, Small and Medium Industry. **'One Stop Shop'** for all kind of facilitation to industries. **Rajasthan Investment Promotion Scheme-2019** implemented.

For 43,000 crores refinery project being set up at Pachpadra (Barmer), works to the tune of Rs 5,000 crores completed and work order of Rs 25,000 crores issued.

'Rajasthan Samajik Suraksha, Laghu Evam Simaant Vraddhjan Krashak Samman Pension Niyam-2019' issued. Over 2.80 lakh farmers benefitted.

Free of cost availability of maximum useful medicines for livestock, treatment to 567 lakh and vaccination to 786 lakh livestock.

10% Reservation to the Economically Weaker Sections. Condition of immovable property in EWS quota abolished and income of Rs 8 lakh per annum considered as the only basis.

Assistance of Rs 822 crore granted to Gaushalas till now. Subsidy of Rs 2 per litre on milk collection to cattle raiser farmers.

State's first underground Metro Rail made operational in Jaipur.

Rajasthan Silicosis Policy-2019 : Provision for assistance of Rs 3 lakh for rehabilitation of the affected person and pension of Rs 1500 per month.

Rajasthan Solar Energy Policy-2019 and Rajasthan Wind and Hybrid Energy Policy-2019 : A big step towards environment conservation, promotion of investment and employment.

Rural Development Panchayati Raj : Construction of 5 lakh houses have been completed, out of 6.43 lakh houses sanctioned under Pradhan Mantri Grameen Awas Yojana. A total of Rs 5,410.31 crore spent on construction of houses, First prize awarded to state for completing maximum houses. New 57 Panchayat Samitis formed.

Reservation increased to 4% from 3% for specially-abled persons in government jobs. Increase in pension of elderly persons, widows and single women.

Government jobs provided to 79,761 youths. Over 1,519 dairy booths allotted to unemployed youths.

Rajasthan is the first State to have organised State Games. Medal winning 29 sports persons were given jobs on out of turn basis (6 DSP rank jobs). In addition 250 cases are in process.

Priority to creation of permanent assets in MNREGA. Payment of 99.82% wages in 15 days.

Rajasthan is the first State in India to give assistance of Rs 50 lakh to the family of the government employees (including contractual employees), in case of death on corona duty.

Supply of potable drinking water to 5,000 villages/hamlets and 14 cities (partial) from surface water sources through 9 large drinking water projects.

Jan Soochna Portal – Nearly 261 types of information are available for 94 schemes.

201 **Mahatma Gandhi Government Schools** (English Medium) opened for better education to all boys/girls and 68,540 students have been enrolled. 90 new government colleges opened.

Farmers Welfare Fund : Fund to the tune of Rs 2,000 crore created.

Indira Gandhi Matritva Poshan Yojana : Financial assistance of Rs 6,000 to every pregnant women becoming mother for the second time and foster mother in 4 tribal districts.

Special Investigation Unit set up to deal with crime against women in each police district and officer of DySP rank posted. Reception counters set up at police stations. ACB strengthened and Helpline 1064 started.

New system of FIR registration at SP offices, established, if Thanas fail to register FIR. Substantial decrease in lodging of FIR through court under section 156(3) after enforcing compulsory FIR registration at Thanas.

Over 450 public utility services available at 80,000 **e-mitra** kiosks near to the homes.

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